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## IN THE CLAIMS

- 1-4. (Canceled)
- 5. (Currently Amended) An organic electroluminescent element comprising a component layer including a light emission layer, wherein the light emission layer contains a phosphorescent compound, and the component layer contains a compound represented by the following formula 1,

## Formula 1

wherein A represents a substituted aromatic ring residue having, as a substituent, an alkyl group, a cycloalkyl group, an alkenyl group, an alkinyl group, an aryl group, a heterocyclic group, a halogen atom, an alkoxy group, a cycloalkoxy group, an aryloxy group, an alkylthio group, a cycloalkylthio group, an arylthio group, an alkoxycarbonyl group, an aryloxycarbonyl group, a sulfamoyl group, a ureido group, an acyl group, an aclyoxy group, and amido group, a carbamoyl group, a sulfinyl group, an alkylsulfonyl group, anarylsulfonyl group, an amino group, a nitro group, a cyano group, or a hydroxyl group; n is a natural number of from 3 to 5; and Z represents a monovalent organic group represented by the following formula 2, provided that formula 1 does not have an n-fold axis of symmetry,

## Formula 2

wherein L represents a chemical bond or a divalent linkage group; and Cz represents a substituted or unsubstituted carbazole residue, and wherein in formula 1, at least one Z has a chemical structure different from that of another Z.

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- 7. (Previously Presented) The organic electroluminescent element of claim 5, wherein in formula 2, L is a chemical bond or a group selected from the group consisting of arylene, heteroarylene, alkenylene and -Si(R)2- in which R represents an alkyl group a cycloalkyl group, an alkenyl group, an alkinyl group, an aryl group, a heteroaryl group, a saturated heterocyclic group or a halogenated hydrocarbon group.
- 8. (Previously Presented) The organic electroluminescent element of claim 5, wherein L is a chemical bond.
- 9. (Previously Presented) The organic electroluminescent element of claim 5. wherein the phosphorescent compound is a complex containing a metal belonging to a group VIII of the periodic table as a center metal or a complex containing a rare earth element as a center element.
- 10. (Original) The organic electroluminescent element of claim 9, wherein the phosphorescent compound is an iridium complex, an osmium complex, or a platinum complex.
- (Previously Presented) The organic electroluminescent element of claim 10, 11. wherein the phosphorescent compound is an iridium complex.
  - 12. (Canceled)
- 13. (Previously Presented) The organic electroluminescent element of claim 5, wherein the light emission layer further contains the compound of formula 1.
- 14. (Previously Presented) The organic electroluminescent element of claim 5, wherein n in formula 1 is 3, provided that the formula 1 does not have a 3-fold axis of symmetry.

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- 15. (Previously Presented) The organic electroluminescent element of claim 5, wherein the aromatic ring of the aromatic ring residue represented by A of formula 1 is an aromatic ring selected from the group consisting of a benzene ring, a pyridine ring, a pyridazine ring, a pyrimidine ring, a pyrazine ring, a 1,3,5-triazine ring, a 1,2,4-triazine ring, a pyrrole ring, an imidazole ring, a furan ring, a thiophene ring, and a condensed aromatic ring which two or more thereof are condensed to form.
- 16. (Previously Presented) A display comprising the organic electroluminescent element of any one of claims 5-15.
  - 17. (Canceled)